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Paul J. McNulty, United States Attorney for the Eastern District of Virginia, announced the guilty plea of Andre Dwayne Suggs, age 36, of Alexandria, Virginia, to the murder of Mark Stephen Creasy, also of Alexandria. Suggs pled guilty today to one count of second degree murder before the Honorable Leonie M. Brinkema in the United States District Court for the Eastern District of Virginia. He faces a maximum sentence of life in prison when sentenced by Judge Brinkema on February 10, 2006.

Suggs admitted killing Mark Creasy on May 28, 2005, on Daingerfield Island along the George Washington Memorial Parkway in Alexandria. At the time of his death, Creasy had been riding his bicycle along Marina Drive (a service road on Daingerfield Island) towards the Potomac River. A witness on the riverbank heard several screams and went to the roadway to investigate. Upon reaching Marina Drive, the witness saw Suggs sprawled over Creasy's body in the middle of the road. When the witness confronted Suggs, the witness noticed that Creasy's body was still and rode off on his bicycle to seek help. Suggs then followed the witness on Creasy's bicycle, before abandoning the bicycle and fleeing into the woods along the Parkway. A short while later, Suggs emerged from the woods, ran towards Alexandria along the shoulder of the south bound lanes of the Parkway, and was then arrested by officers of the Alexandria Police Department.

Creasy was pronounced dead at the scene by paramedics. A later autopsy of his body revealed that Suggs had strangled him.

The case was investigated by the United States Park Police and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Michael Rich and John Morton.

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